

Board Meeting Minutes  
December 12, 2006

**ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER**

Board Chair La Follette called the meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands to order at 2:10 p.m. He noted that he and Commissioner Voight were present.

Present were:

Doug La Follette, Board Chair	Secretary of State
Jack Voight, Commissioner	State Treasurer
Tia Nelson, Executive Secretary	Board of Commissioners of Public Lands
Tom German, Deputy Secretary	Board of Commissioners of Public Lands
Bob Hunter, Asst. Attorney General	Department of Justice
Coletta DeMuth	Board of Commissioners of Public Lands
Patti Cronin	Board of Commissioners of Public Lands

**ITEM 2. APPROVE LOANS**

Board Chair La Follette asked if the loans had received legal review; Bob Hunter replied that they had.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Voight moved to approve the loans; Board Chair La Follette seconded the motion. The motion passed, 2-0.

Municipality	Municipal Type	Loan Amount
1. Brooklyn County of Dane and Green Application #: 02007060 Purpose: Purchase vehicles, street improvements	Village Rate: 5.25 Filed: November 15, 2006	\$70,359.00
2. Bruce County of Rusk and Sawyer Application #: 02007066 Purpose: Finance unfunded pension liability	School Rate: 6.00 Filed: November 2, 2006	\$1,065,540.00
3. Chenequa County of Waukesha Application #: 02007058 Purpose: Finance excavation and remediation of dump site	Village Rate: 5.25 Filed: November 20, 2006	\$115,000.00
4. Chetek County of Barron Application #: 02007068 Purpose: Refinance land acquisition loan, industrial park development	City Rate: 5.25 Filed: December 4, 2006	\$280,000.00

5.	Eagle County of Waukesha Application #: 02007062 Purpose: Construct park pavilion	Town Rate: 5.00 Filed: October 24, 2006	\$100,000.00
6.	Merton County of Waukesha Application #: 02007059 Purpose: Finance bridge project and plow truck	Town Rate: 5.25 Filed: November 21, 2006	\$183,463.76
7.	Mondovi County of Buffalo Application #: 02007065 Purpose: Finance improvements to building and lots	City Rate: 5.25 Filed: November 29, 2006	\$530,000.00
8.	Niagara County of Marinette Application #: 02007067 Purpose: Finance unfunded pension liability	School Rate: 6.00 Filed: December 1, 2006	\$500,000.00
9.	Osseo-Fairchild County of Clark, Eau Claire, Jackson and Trempealeau Application #: 02007061 Purpose: Finance unfunded pension liability	School Rate: 6.00 Filed: November 24, 2006	\$1,316,655.00
10.	Prescott County of Pierce Application #: 02007063 Purpose: Finance unfunded pension liability	School Rate: 6.00 Filed: November 6, 2006	\$395,000.00
11.	Saint Croix Falls County of Polk Application #: 02007064 Purpose: Construct new town hall and shop	Town Rate: 5.25 Filed: November 28, 2006	\$300,000.00
12.	Watertown County of Dodge and Jefferson Application #: 02007057 Purpose: Repair dam and rehab old hospital	City Rate: 5.50 Filed: November 14, 2006	\$1,262,018.00
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,118,035.76</b>

### ITEM 3. TRUST LAND SALES TO THE DNR

#### A. Hay Meadow Creek State Natural Area

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands approves the sale of the Hay Meadow Property to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources at the price of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) in accordance with Chapter 24 of the Wisconsin Statutes on such terms and conditions as the Executive Secretary determines

to be reasonable and necessary. The Executive Secretary is authorized and directed to execute any documents reasonably necessary to complete such transaction.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Voight moved to approve the resolution; Board Chair La Follette seconded the motion. The motion passed, 2-0.

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**B. Haley Creek State Natural Area**

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands approves the sale of the Haley Creek Property to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources at the price of Four Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$425,700) in accordance with Chapter 24 of the Wisconsin Statutes on such terms and conditions as the Executive Secretary determines to be reasonable and necessary. The Executive Secretary is authorized and directed to execute any documents reasonably necessary to complete such transaction.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Voight moved to approve the resolution; Board Chair La Follette seconded the motion. The motion passed, 2-0.

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**C. Squirrel River Pines State Natural Area**

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands approves the sale of the Squirrel River Property to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources at the price of Two Hundred Eighty-Eight Thousand Dollars (\$288,000) in accordance with Chapter 24 of the Wisconsin Statutes on such terms and conditions as the Executive Secretary determines to be reasonable and necessary. The Executive Secretary is authorized and directed to execute any documents reasonably necessary to complete such transaction.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Voight moved to approve the resolution; Board Chair La Follette seconded the motion. The motion passed, 2-0.

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**D. Willow Flowage Property**

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands approves the sale of the Willow Flowage Property to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources at the price of Thirty-Eight Thousand Dollars (\$38,000) in accordance with Chapter 24 of the Wisconsin Statutes on such terms and conditions as the Executive Secretary determines to be reasonable and necessary. The Executive Secretary is authorized and directed to execute any documents reasonably necessary to complete such transaction.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Voight moved to approve the resolution; Board Chair La Follette seconded the motion. The motion passed, 2-0.

#### **ITEM 4. TRUST LAND PURCHASES**

##### **A. American Timberlands Property**

Board Chair La Follette explained that the DNR would retain development rights and the BCPL would retain the timber harvest rights, which reduced the value of the property. The property is adjacent to Trust Lands currently managed by the BCPL.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Voight moved to approve the purchase; Board Chair La Follette seconded the motion.

Commissioner Voight expressed concern that the recreational uses permitted under the conservation easement may negatively impact BCPL timber production. Executive Secretary Nelson explained that the DNR asked the BCPL to partner with them to purchase the property. She added that the BCPL would hold title to the land. The DNR holds a conservation easement on the property, which gives them the responsibility to manage the recreational uses. She assured Commissioner Voight that timber production would not be impacted. The conservation easement stipulates that the DNR cannot diminish the BCPL's right to timber.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands approves the purchase of the American Timberlands Property from the DNR at the price of One Million Four Hundred Sixty-Seven Thousand Dollars (\$1,467,000) in accordance with Chapter 24 of the Wisconsin Statutes on such terms and conditions as the Executive Secretary determines to be reasonable and necessary. The transaction is contingent upon BCPL having sufficient funds available in land bank accounts to close the purchase. The Executive Secretary is authorized and directed to execute any documents reasonably necessary to complete such purchase transaction.

**IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands approves the granting of a conservation easement on the American Timberlands Property to the DNR on such terms and conditions as the Executive Secretary determines to be reasonable. The Executive Secretary is authorized and directed to execute any documents reasonably necessary to grant such conservation easement to the DNR.

The resolution passed, 2-0.

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##### **B. Tyler Property**

Board Chair La Follette explained that this property would be purchased from an private individual. The property being purchased is located within Trust Land boundaries.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands approves the purchase of the Tyler Property at the price of Three Hundred Ninety-Three Thousand Dollars (\$393,000) in accordance with Chapter 24 of the Wisconsin Statutes on such terms and conditions as the Executive Secretary determines to be reasonable and necessary. The transaction is contingent upon BCPL having sufficient funds available in land bank accounts to close the purchase. The Executive Secretary is authorized and directed to execute any documents reasonably necessary to complete such transaction.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Voight moved to approve the resolution; Board Chair La Follette seconded the motion. The motion passed, 2-0.

#### **ITEM 5. FY07 TIMBER SALE REPORT**

Board Chair La Follette explained that the agenda item was informational only and no action was required.

Board Chair La Follette asked District Office Administrator Paus to thank the staff for their work on the land sales and purchases.

#### **ITEM 7. COMMENDATION FOR MICHAEL PAUS**

**WHEREAS** Michael Paus is retiring in January of 2007 after more than 20 years of dedicated service to the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands;

**WHEREAS** Mr. Paus began his state service in October of 1978 and transferred to the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands in October of 1986;

**WHEREAS** Mr. Paus ably served the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands in a number of different capacities over the years; and

**WHEREAS** the hard work and dedication of Mr. Paus contributed significantly to many of the accomplishments of the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands over those years.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands hereby recognizes **MICHAEL PAUS** with gratitude for his many years of dedicated service and makes this action a part of the official record.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Voight moved to approve the resolution; Board Chair La Follette seconded the motion. The motion passed, 2-0.

#### **ITEM 6. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Nothing to report. The Commissioners confirmed that they would hold a teleconference board meeting on January 2.

#### **ITEM 8. ADJOURN**

**MOTION:** Commissioner Voight moved to adjourn the meeting; Board Chair La Follette seconded the motion. The motion passed; 2-0.

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Tia Nelson, Executive Secretary

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